

OXFORD HOUSE GUIDELINES for MEN

Each house is autonomous and operates in accordance with the Oxford House Model. Each house must adhere to the Oxford House Charter, Traditions and House Manual. No member is ever voted out of an Oxford House without cause:

- 1) Relapse
- 2) Non-payment of EES
- 3) Disruptive Behavior

Recovery comes first and principles come before personalities. Behavior modification should be addressed in the following order:

- 1) Warning
- 2) Contract
- 3) Expulsion

MEMBERS:

1. Three (3) overnights per week. No more than 2 nights in a row.
2. 2:00 AM curfew
3. MANDATORY minimum of three (3) 12-Step meetings per week.
4. New Member restriction placed on every member behind on EES.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES:

- No active users or drinkers allowed on the property
- No narcotics are allowed in the house at any time. If you are on medications you must inform your house and keep it out of sight. A lockbox can be requested at the houses discretion.
- Laundry hours are set by your house, be respectful of your housemates.
- Be respectful of your housemates during the week, keep the noise down after 11pm

Any guideline or principle can be added, removed or altered by a majority vote in a house meeting.

If you feel these rules are too strict then possibly Oxford House is not for you. These rules are proven to work if followed. Changing the rules to fit your needs is doing things your way and by doing things your way life became very difficult. Why not try doing things the Oxford House way and see how simple life can be.

And remember...

THERE ARE NO BOSSES IN OXFORD HOUSE.

You are just as important as anyone in the house and you have just as much of a say in the house decisions as anyone else. The best friend we can be to each other is to hold each other accountable and not allow old behavior. The rules are only good if they are enforced as a house.